

MHS Newsletter

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Monday
February 19
Term 1, Week 4

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Talking about brains...

It was once thought that the brain stopped developing well before puberty. The theory was that once all of the connections between the brain's various neurons had been formed in those critical few years, they were "fixed" in place for the rest of an individual's days. The theory seemed a solid one for many years. Consider the children of migrants. The younger a child is when removed from one cultural setting and placed in another, the more likely that child is to abandon completely the language or accent of that culture. A teen removed from the same situation will often retain an accent for the rest of his or her days.

Seems valid.

Contemporary research, however, has shown this theory to have more to do with belief than reality. Researchers working with both animals and people have come to realise that the age-driven closed-mind old view is a mistaken one. It would seem the brain continues to organise and reorganise itself by forming new neural connections throughout life.

This phenomenon has a name; neuroplasticity.

Neurons in the brain have the capacity to adjust their activity in response to new situations or changes in their environment, like learning to talk again after a brain trauma like stroke.

Research has shown in both monkeys and humans that existing neural pathways that have been previously inactive or used for other purposes have the ability to take over and carry out functions lost in other areas of the brain to degeneration or injury. There is even evidence that neural reorganisation in the adult brain can involve the formation of new neural connections.

The evidence suggests very strongly that the brain remains dynamic for our entire lives!

This week, budding engineer in residence, Year 12's Max Beechey, brought in his backwards bicycle as a kind of "show and tell" in Mr Roberts Engineering Studies class. If you don't know what a backwards bicycle is, it is a bicycle that requires the rider to turn the handlebars left when you want to turn right.

That's it. One simple change. The method of propulsion remains the same. The brakes are in the same place. For all intents and purpose it looks like a regular bicycle... but a regular bicycle it is not!

If you want to see one in action, take a look at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MFzDaBzBIL0>

Invited to attempt a ride on Max's brilliant contraption, I proved an abject failure. I could master balance over distances of less than a metre, but the moment I attempted to pedal the whole enterprise literally came to a crashing end. Boys being boys, Mr Roberts' engineering students all attempted to ride the backward bike. There is a conceit at work in almost every male that whispers internally, "How hard can this be? Let me at it!"

Each then discovered just how hard it really is to override (pun intentional) a pre-existing neurological default position.

Captain Thomas Loughnan came closest to "mastering" the bike in that he managed to stay upright in a twisting, jerking, "I'm-a-six-year-old-just-learning-to-ride" manner for a distance of about ten metres. Intentionally changing direction was another thing altogether.

*A Member of the
Cudgong Learning
Community*

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE
FOR THE COMPLETE
CALENDAR OF EVENTS



COMING EVENTS

- Feb 26 - P&C Meeting 7pm in Library
- Mar 1 - Parent Teacher evening - Yrs 7, 11 & 12 4pm - 7pm in Gym
- Mar 2 - Swimming Carnival
- Mar 6 - School Photos
- Mar 7 - School Photos catch up day
- Mar 15 - Parent Teacher evening - Yrs 8, 9 & 10 4pm - 7pm in Gym
- Apr 6 - 13 - Year 12 1/2 yearly exams
- Apr 13 - Last day of Term 1
- Apr 30 - Staff Development Day
- May 1 - All students return for Term 2

THIS ISSUE

- Principal's Message
- P & C Awards
- SRR Award
- Mt Piper Power Station Excursion paperwork
- Advertisements
- Reinforcing safety in school zones
- Sponsorship

If you have ever driven a car with European controls, with the turn indicator stalk on the left and the windscreen wiper stalk on the right, after years of driving cars with those controls on the opposite side, you may have an inkling of what riding a backwards bicycle is like. The critical difference is that this experience is that one on steroids. Driving a car with backward controls is relatively straightforward while ever the driver remains conscious of the changed circumstance. This awareness allows the driver to turn corners without turning on the wipers. The moment the driver relaxes, the default neurological pathway kicks in... and at the next corner the wipers come on.

Riding a bicycle involves constant weight shifting to offset the reciprocating forces associated with pedalling, compensating for the gyroscopic forces associated with independently turning wheels, balance, spatial awareness and an acute awareness of potential danger. Once mapped neurologically, riding a bike can become as easy as... riding a bike. Reversing the steering makes even the oldest hand a novice again.

By the time students arrive in high school they are usually 12 years-old or close to it. Many of their neurological pathways are already mapped. This new research demonstrates that such mapping is not impervious to change. That said, any change to a previously mapped neurological pathway requires time, patience and a huge amount of practice. No one is born capable of walking, speaking or playing the violin. No one is born riding a bicycle – backwards or regular.

No one reaches a point in their life where old habits – default neurological positions – like “I don’t eat vegetables” or “I hate English” or “I can’t live without my mobile” cannot be unlearned.

The beauty of this research is that it provides so much hope.

This research tells us one simple thing: It is never too late to learn (or unlearn) ANYTHING!

Until next week...

Wayne Eade

Principal



TERM 1 WEEK 3 AWARDS

P & C AWARDS:

Shellie O'Malveney - Yr 7, Jasmin Hill - Yr 8, Emily Agnew - Yr 9, Phillip Riley - Yr 10, Sheila Riley - Yr 11, Tianna Miller - Yr 12

SRR AWARD:

Will Box - Yr 10

MT PIPER POWER STATION EXCURSION

Year 8 will be studying a unit of work this term titled Electricity Generation. Having electricity available 24x7 is expected and treated as a right. However, understanding how power generating companies achieve this is the stuff with which only engineers usually need concern themselves.

Or should others be concerned?

State and Federal governments continue to make decisions that consume huge sums of taxpayer money. These decisions are related to electricity generation so it's all of our business as well. The trip to Mt Piper will expose year 8 students to Australia's current (no pun) major means of electricity generation.



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EDUCATIONAL EXCURSION PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION AND CONSENT FORM (DAY EXCURSION)

N.B. SCHOOL UNIFORM MUST BE WORN ON ALL EXCURSIONS

Dear Parent/Carer

Your child/ward has been selected to participate in the **Mt Piper Power Station excursion on Thursday March 29 2018** departing Mudgee High School at 9.30am and returning to Mudgee High School by 3.15pm.

The cost of this excursion is \$14.00 – online payment reference - 337

Instalments welcome but final payment must be made by the close by date.

Travel will be by bus. Students will be supervised by Mr Rae, Mrs McGonnigle, Mr Evans and Mr Hill

Additional information: Students to bring own refreshments and lunch. **Enclosed footwear is essential.**

Teacher in charge of excursion is Mr Rae

IF AN EXCURSION IS DUE BACK AFTER 3.30PM AND THE TEACHER HAS ADVISED THE SCHOOL THAT THE EXCURSION IS GOING TO BE BACK EARLY OR LATER THAN TIME STATED ON PERMISSION NOTE A MESSAGE WILL BE LEFT ON THE ANSWERING MACHINE TO ADVISE EXPECTED TIME

PRINCIPAL – W EADE

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE SECTION BELOW AND RETURN TO THE FRONT OFFICE
(with payment if applicable) BY 22/03/2018 – closes.**

"----- please detach and return to Front Office -----"

I hereby consent to my child/ward _____

participating in the **Mt Piper Power Station excursion on Thursday March 29 2018** departing Mudgee High School at 9.30am and returning to Mudgee High School by 3.15pm. Travel will be by bus.

Special needs of the child that the school is **NOT** already aware of:

Details: _____

Signature of Parent/Carer: _____ Contact Number: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

Date: _____

Online payment yes o no o
Closes 22/03/2018. Payment/notes will not be accepted after this date
Excursion No: 337 - \$14.00

REFUNDS:

Refunds will only be given for students who are unable to attend the excursion for significant reason/s.

Application for refunds MUST be made in writing within ONE week of the excursion date.

Refunds will now be held in credit against the student to be used for future excursions or fees. If this is an unsuitable arrangement, please make contact with the school's ever helpful front office staff.

Medical Insurance: Parents please note that there is no personal injury insurance cover provided by the NSW Department of Education and Training for students in relation to school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school activity. Parents and caregivers are advised to assess the level and extent of their child's involvement in the sport program when deciding whether additional insurance cover, above that provided by Medicare, is required. Personal accident insurance cover is available through the normal retail insurance outlets. **The NSW Supplementary Sporting Injuries Benefits Scheme**, funded by the NSW Government, covers any injury resulting in the permanent loss of a prescribed faculty or the use of some prescribed part of the body.

MOBILE PHONE AND CAMERA USE FOR EXCURSIONS

The security of all personal property will be each student's responsibility

Dear Parents and carers,

While students are strongly advised **NOT** to bring valuable items on excursions, they are permitted to bring cameras and phones on two conditions. First they must have your permission to do so. Second, they must agree to abide by the conditions of use outlined below.

Please complete the form below if your child will be carrying a mobile phone and/or camera with them on the excursion. This will ensure that students use their devices in an appropriate manner and that parents have given permission for photographs or videos to be taken of their student.

Only students who have parental permission can take or appear in photographs or videos.

"----- please detach and return to office -----"

I give permission for my child/ward _____(insert child's full name)

to take and appear in photographs and videos while on this excursion.

I agree that he/she must not publish or share photographs or videos in a way which might be reasonably considered as having the potential to harass, intimidate or humiliate another person or which breaches Mudgee High School's Fair Discipline Code or the criminal law. I agree that my child/ward will not use their mobile phone or camera in manner which might reflect negatively on Mudgee High School.

I agree that my child/ward will seek specific permission from a supervising teacher before publishing or sharing any photograph or video taken while on the excursion.

I understand that unacceptable use of photographs or videos may lead to school disciplinary action and/ or police involvement. While on the excursion, phones or cameras that are used in an unacceptable manner may be confiscated by a supervising teacher and returned only to the parent.

I have discussed all of these points with my child/ward.

Parent/caregiver name

Date

Signature parent/caregiver

ADVERTISEMENTS

ROTARY DISTRICT 9670 AUSTRALIA YOUTH EXCHANGE

INFORMATION NIGHT

WOULD YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER LIKE 12 MONTHS OVERSEAS AS A YOUTH EXCHANGE STUDENT?

TUESDAY : 6th MARCH 2018

VENUE: MUDGEE GOLF CLUB

TIME: 5:30pm

The Rotary Clubs of Mudgee will be holding an information night for interested students and parents. Students between 15 to 17 year age group, and must be in year 9,10 or 11 in the year they make application, to spend twelve months attending a secondary school and living with host families in another Country.

Countries that may be available include: Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and USA.

If you are interested in attending the information night, please email, Jenny Dowdy, District Youth Exchange Committee: jenniferdowdy2@gmail.com with your name, age, school attending at present and contact details or phone 0429 658 915. You can also contact David Roach, Chairman on 0428 338 489.



MUDGEE JUNIOR BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

A JUNIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL REGISTRATION DAY FOR THOSE IN YEAR 5 TO YEAR 10 WILL BE HELD AT THE MUDGEE PCYC ON MONDAY 26TH FEBRUARY FROM 3.30 TO 6PM.

A JUNIOR BOYS BASKETBALL REGISTRATION DAY FOR THOSE IN YEAR 5 TO YEAR 10 WILL BE HELD A THE ST MATTHEWS STADIUM ON WEDNESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY FROM 3.30 TO 6PM.

EMAIL CONTACT: wollbah@activ8.net.au

MID-WESTERN REGIONAL COUNCIL MUDGEE SKATEPARK REDESIGN

On Monday, 26 February 2018, Council will be meeting with consultants for the design of new and improved elements to the existing Mudgee Skatepark. Input is being sought on the redesign process from all members of the community who might use or be interested in the space (e.g. skaters, youth, families).

It would be wonderful to have as much local input on the redesign as possible. With that in mind would you please share the details of the meeting with your students.

Details

Date: Monday 26 February 2018

Time: 5.30pm

Location: Mudgee Skatepark, Corner of Perry Street and Horatio Street, Mudgee

If you have any questions or queries regarding this meeting or the redesign in general, I would be very happy to hear from you. Thank you for your time.

Sam Sbisà
Youth Services Officer
Mid-Western Regional Council



INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

Mudgee Fine Foods Inc. (MFFI) hold cooking classes for kids during the Mudgee Farmers' Market. The aim of the classes is for kids to have fun learning all about cooking healthy food with fresh, local and seasonal ingredients.

When do the classes happen?

The classes take place during the Farmers' Market on the third Saturday of the month. From 9.00 am - 12.00am The class will start promptly at 9.00am so children should plan to arrive 10 mins beforehand. They will not leave the church grounds at any time. Parents are not expected to stay with their children but are welcome to come to the kitchen at the end of the class.

Where do the classes take place?

Children will be met by the Chef at the MFFI Farmers' Market Information marquee in the central section near the live music.

The class will use both the Market grounds and visit some of the Farmers' Market stalls then proceed to the St Mary's Parish Kitchen located near the Convent building on the righthand side, facing the Church.

What happens in a class?

There will be a different theme each class but they will cover;

Basic cooking skills for preparation of tasty and nutritious food.

Choosing seasonal and local produce to make the most of what is available.

Eating and sharing food together.

The classes start with the Chef guiding the children through the Market to choose the produce they'll need.

They then go to the kitchen and cook the recipes planned by the Chef.

At approx. 11.45 am the class will bring their food out to the Markets to share.

Parents need to be at the Markets at 11.45 am to collect their child, where they can take part in the communal conversation about the children's creations.

What is provided?

Kids only need to bring themselves, however please ensure they wear closed in shoes.

Aprons are provided for use in the class. Children will have the option to take home the food they've cooked along with a recipe sheet so they can practice their new skill at home!

Who can attend?

Kids aged between 7-16 years of age.

How many can attend?

Class sizes are limited to 12 participants, to ensure adequate supervision, so bookings are essential.

How do I book?

You can book in one of the following ways;

Via email kidscooking@mudgeefinefoods.com.au

Through our website www.mudgeefinefoods.com.au

In person at the MFFI Information marquee at the Farmers' Markets on Market Day

What is the cost?

The cost is \$20 per child

Payment is required at the time of booking and can be made via direct deposit into the account below;

ACCOUNT NAME: Mudgee Fine Foods Inc.

BANK: ANZ Bank – Mudgee Branch

REGISTRATION FORM

Month of Cooking Class:	
Name of child/ren attending class	
Age/s	
Address	
Email	
Parent/Guardian Phone number	
Does your child have any allergies or medical conditions that may impact on their participation in this class?	

Payment of \$20 per child must be received at time of booking.

Course numbers are strictly limited.

Completed Registration Form to be brought with you on the day.

Closed shoes must be worn at all times and participants must agree to follow the safety directions of the instructor.

All classes will be held at St Mary's Parish kitchen and in the Church grounds, corner of Market Street & Church Street MUDGEES

Permission to use image

Photographs may be taken of participants for use in promotional materials such as, but not limited to, reports, media articles and promotion of future events. I agree that images taken of my child during the workshop can be used by Mudgee Fine Foods and Mid-Western Regional Council in the manner described above.

I have read and agree to accept the above conditions of participation Signature of parent/guardian

..... Date Name (please print)

.....

Please upload your form to kidscooking@mudgeefinefood.com.au

If you have any further questions please email Rebecca or call her on 0400 118 876

BSB: 012 740

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 224 394 619

REFERENCE: Child's name & Month of class

NB It is important that the reference details be included

WESTERN NSW MARINERS FC

Senior Female Players Needed

to fill 2018 Under 17, Reserve, First Grade teams



**We are looking for players for
Under 17, Reserve Grade & 1st Grade teams
to play in the 2018 PlayStation 4
National Premier Leagues 2 NSW Women's Competition**



*Compete against some of the best teams in the State
including APIA Leichhardt, Central Coast Mariners,
Marconi, SD Raiders, Inter Lions and Gladesville Ravens*

**Play at a high level and
learn from some of
the best coaches in the
Central West**



**Contact Glenn Stedman (Women's Coaching & Development Manager)
0400 975 740 or email: gbstedman@optusnet.com.au**

This autism-specific Positive Behaviour Support Workshop uses contemporary evidence based strategies, based on our many years of direct work with families, organisations and people living with autism.

Our presenters



Jen Hurd (Registered Psychologist – BArts (Psych – Hons), BEd.

Jen joined Aspect in 2012 and works for the Aspect Therapy, providing positive behaviour support and psychological services to children, adolescents and adults on the autism spectrum and their families. She has experience working with children and young people with developmental disabilities, learning difficulties and mental health difficulties. Jen has experience presenting a range of workshop to parents and professionals in Sydney and regional NSW on autism, positive behaviour support and carer wellbeing. Jen is passionate about helping those who support individuals with autism to understand the challenges, provide an environment that best matches the individual's needs and teach them new skills in order to improve their quality of life

Who should attend?

Families and professionals supporting or working with people on the autism spectrum, including carers, direct support staff, managers, educators, respite staff, supported employment and Allied Health professionals.

Each participant receives:

- step by step, easy to complete forms to help you write your own autism-specific Positive Behaviour Support plan on the day
- specially designed forms and other tools to use at home or work
- access to a broad range of resources provided through a link to access a restricted section of the Aspect website
- help to support the implementation of your PBS Plan, using our Implementation Checklist

You will leave the workshop with greatly increased confidence in your ability to make a difference in environments and situations where there is challenging behaviour.

When: Monday 26th & Tuesday 27th February 2018

Where: Panthers Bathurst
132 Piper Street, Bathurst NSW 2795

Time: 9:30am to 4:30pm

Cost: *Free for family members and professionals who attend with a family*

All other professionals \$500.00 Priority will be given to families first and to professionals attending with a family, and then professionals attending alone. If demand from families does not allow professional registrations you will be notified.

Register online www.aspect.org.au/content/events-and-workshops

Contact: Kerry Ritzrow
P: 02 8868 8504
E: kritzrow@autismspectrum.org.au



Completing the Recipe for Success workshop will contribute 15 hours of QTC registered PD addressing 1.1.2, 1.2.2, 1.3.2, 1.4.2, 1.5.2, 1.6.2, 3.1.2, 3.2.2, 3.3.2, 3.4.2, 3.5.2, 3.7.2, 4.1.2, 4.2.2, 4.3.2, 4.4.2, and 4.5.2 from the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers towards maintaining Proficient Teacher Accreditation in NSW.

Become a member of
MUDGEES SQUADRON



OF THE AUSTRALIAN AIR LEAGUE

Fridays at 1930 – 2130 hours on school nights

**MUDGEES AIR LEAGUE IS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS FOR
OUR SQUADRON!**

Being a member of Mudgees Squadron gives you or your child the chance to learn about aircrafts (military and civilian), attend camps, march in competitions and ANZAC Day, and challenge yourself while earning badges for your uniform.

Ages 8+

CONTACT:

Mudgees Boys Squadron

Mark Woodhead (OC)

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Mudgees Girls Squadron

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**LOCATION: AERO CLUB, CLUBHOUSE
MUDGEES AIRPORT**

Website: mudgees.airleagne.com.au



Australian

Country Fashion Beauty Pageant Entry Form

2018.

AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY FASHION BEAUTY PAGEANT FEATURES

SIX AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY MODEL OF THE YEAR TITLES AND TWO NEW SOUTH WALES MODEL OF THE YEAR TITLES

Excellent Prizes. Entry fee \$10 per each category entered

Model of the Year Titles are listed below. Please tick each Model of the Year Title you are entering. Entrants must complete personal details section

Event	Entry Fee	Tick
1... Australian Country Top Model	\$10	
2... Australian Country Sportsperson Model of the Year	\$10	
3... Australian Runway Model of The Year	\$10	
4... Australian University Model of the Year	\$10	
5... Australian Country Swimsuit Model of the Year	\$10	
6... Australian Country Junior Model of the Year 15 yrs/under 17	\$10	
7... New South Wales Country Model of the Year	\$10	
8... Central West/Central Tablelands Area N.S.W Model of the Year	\$10	

ENTRANT NAME.....

ADDRESS.....•.....

DATE OF BIRTH.....

PHONE NUMBER.....•.....

All model of the year titles are open to both female and male entrants. The "Pageant" The winners are recognized as Australian Country Model of the Year Titles throughout Australia. Country born students whose parent/parents still live in a rural area and the student is attending college/school/university or working in an urban region can enter, All student attending college/school/university in rural region can enter the Pageant. Confidentiality is assured No Private information as required above will be given to anyone. All funds will be donated to the charities listed on front page. No commissions to anyone.

PLEASE NOTE. All details of payment of entry fees are located on bottom of page "Conditions of Entry" .

ENTRIES CLOSE 10 MARCH 2018

Venue- Panthers Bathurst Club. William Street. Bathurst. N.S.W 2795

Major Sponsors. Caribee International. Honda Australia, Bathurst Priceline BIG W Bathurst, Reliance Bank, Aspire Hair & **Body Spa Bathurst**, **Bob Jane** T-Marts, Bathurst Holden, Coles Bathurst, Bathurst Subaru,

Conditions of Entry

Entry fee of \$10 each Model of the Year entered must accompany entry form

No more than one Australian Country Australian Country Model of the Year title can be won by any one person at the Pageant 2018

Entrant must wear own clothing .Some fashion shops may provide clothing for the entrant to wear but that arrangement is between entrant and fashion shop

Entrants must report to the area supervisor one hour prior to commencement of Pageant

All decisions made by the judging panel are final. No correspondence will be considered.

Note that the latest judging for selection of model titles will be implemented This method of selection is used by major retail business, model agencies. Modelling provides great opportunities in television, cataloguing, online model castings, arts, photogenic models for commercial posters, magazines, tests shots for acting,

Criteria for Entry

Entrants for Australian Country Swimsuit Model of the Year must wear own swimwear

Entrants Australian Junior Model of the Year Titles must be 15 years of age and under

17. Have signed permission from Parent.

Entrants in Australian University Model of the Year Title must have studied or are studying at University, open to all students, and those studying by distant education

Entrants entering Central West/Tablelands model of the year title must reside in region within region from Springwood to Bourke.

Entrants entering Sportsperson Model of the Year title providing they play any sport can enter. You do not have to wear clothing of the sport. Compare will ask the sport you play.

Entrants may enter as many Model of the Year titles they wish providing they meet the above criteria.

Business Fashion Shop (not named) the charities has donated three pairs of high heel shoes , two in size 37, one in 39 and eight piece of clothing size (S) one size (M). Names of entrants that enter two or more events will go into draw to win one item of shoe or clothing. As the items have been donated and business firm not named no item is changeable

WE WISH TO SINCERELY THANK ALL OUR SPONSORS/SUPPORTERSAS WITHOUT THIER CONTRIBUTION WE COULD NOT PROMOTE EVENT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR CHARITY. WE THANK ALL ENTRANTS FOR ENTERING. YOU ARE ALL WINNERS FOR SUPPORTING GREAT CHARITIES, EVERY MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE-COMMITTEE ARE VOLUNTEERS. THANK YOU FOR DISPLAYING OUR ENTRY FORMS/POSTERS

If you would like one of the Booklets I have written 2018 featuring past winners, Icons of the fashion/model industry I will send you one, but stocks are limited. T.Pratley Founder.

Ph 02-6331 4630

Payment of Entry Fees

Payment by cheque or money order, made payable to T.Pratley 10 Rosehill St Bathurst

N.S.W 2795.Danielle Smith Laughton Close Orange. By cash and entry form to Manager Stormriders Bathurst City Centre Howick St Bathurst. N.S.W

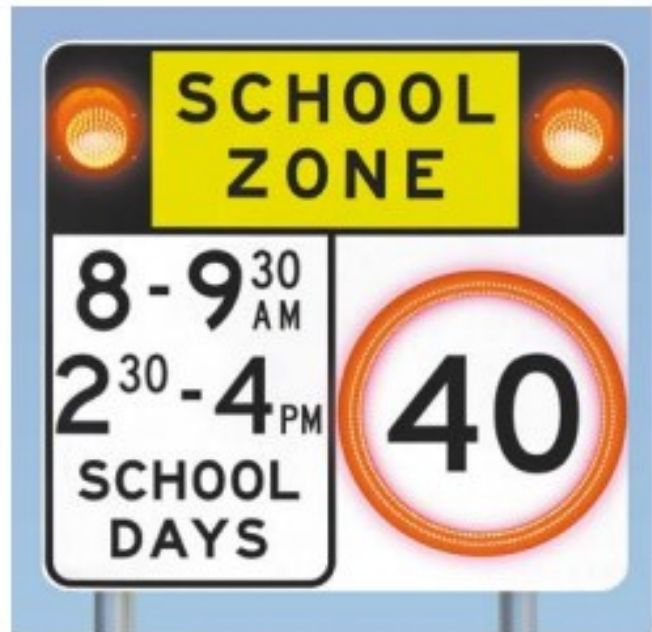
ENTRIES CLOSE 10 MARCH 2018

Please note that with the postal delivery as it is. Letters can take from four days to a week for delivery. You can E-Mail your entry through to danielle62@bigpond.com. Will be accepted including details of payment..

"YES" You can enter online through entry form on our website. Send E-mail with details of payment of fees.

Reinforcing safety in school zones

Seven new school zone offences enforced from 1 February 2018.



To help schools keep the school zone safer for all pedestrians and drivers there are seven new traffic offences with new fines.

None of the seven offences attract demerit points when committed elsewhere on the road but now in a school zone they each come with two points.

The changes are:

1. Stopping in intersection - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
2. Stop within 20m of intersection (traffic lights) - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
3. Stop within 10m of intersection (no traffic lights) - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
4. Stop near bicycle crossing lights - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
5. Obstruct access to ramp/path/passageway - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$330 and 2 demerit points.
6. Not parallel park in the direction of travel - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a \$330 fine and 2 demerit points.
7. Parallel park close to dividing line - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a \$330 fine and 2 demerit points.

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